

Detailed Saleyard Report - Cattle

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Wagga

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Rain across the supply area inspired restockers and lot feeders over most categories. Quality was mostly mixed with the bulk of the yarding secondary types. A larger group of feedlot buyers were present and operating over all categories. Heavy steer and bullock numbers increased, and prices continued their impressive run. Cow numbers lifted to just over 1,800.

Prices were up for domestic processor cattle. Trade steers prices rallied to average 308c/kg. Trade heifers benefited from stronger feedlot competition, the bulk selling from 288 to 316c/kg. There was only limited lines of well-bred light weight weaner steers and heifers which resulted in restockers, commission buyers and agents pushing prices 14c to 29c/kg higher. Weaner heifers, 200-280kg, gained 13c making from 275c to 340c/kg. The lighter weight steers sold 57c dearer to record a top price of 420c/kg.

A bigger buying group operated in the feeder steer market. Rain intensified bidding for medium weight steers to average 342c/kg. There was stronger demand for feed steers, 330-400kg. The well-bred portion lifted 9c, making from 300c to 368c/kg. Light weight feed heifers attracted a large field of buyers. Prices improved 21c to average 322c/kg.

Grown steers met strong competition from southern processors which lifted prices by 24c to average 338c/kg. Bullocks were in short supply and quality was only fair which was reflected in the cheaper trend. Bullocks made from 281c to 320c/kg.

The cow market rose sharply, driven once again by a shortage of numbers at northern selling centers. Heavy cows gained 16c to average 278c/kg. The D2 and D3 cows ignited the bidding due to the limited supplies causing prices to jump 22c to 24c/kg. The bulk of the D2 and D3 types sold from 245c to 269c/kg.

Category	Sale Weight	Muscle Prefix	Muscle Score	Fat Score	Head	Live Weight c/kg				Estimated Carcase Weight c/kg			Estimated \$/Head		
						Low	High	Avg	Change	Low	High	Avg	Low	High	Avg
Calves															
80+															
	PR	C	2	2	2	311.0	311.0	311.0	N/Q	587	587	587	591	591	591
	RS	C	2	102		270.0	432.0	382.4	42	-	-	-	340	877	667
	RS	D	2	13		245.0	270.0	254.6	N/Q	-	-	-	372	527	432
				117		245.0	432.0			587	587		340	877	
Vealer Steer															
200-280															
	RS	B	2	5		348.0	348.0	348.0	N/Q	-	-	-	863	863	863
				5		348.0	348.0			0	0		863	863	
Vealer Heifer															
200-280															
	FD	C	2	5		314.0	314.0	314.0	19	-	-	-	650	650	650
	RS	C	2	22		250.0	350.0	326.2	N/Q	-	-	-	640	926	854
280-330															
	PR	C	2	2		315.0	315.0	315.0	8	606	606	606	1008	1008	1,008
	RS	C	2	40		334.0	334.0	334.0	N/Q	-	-	-	955	955	955
330+															
	PR	C	2	5		281.0	281.0	281.0	N/Q	520	520	520	1071	1071	1,071
				74		250.0	350.0			520	606		640	1071	
Yearling Steer															
200-280															
	FD	D	2	10		342.0	342.0	342.0	N/Q	-	-	-	923	923	923
	RS	C	2	72		350.0	420.0	389.0	57	-	-	-	798	980	920

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					Low	High	Avg	Change	Low	High	Avg	Low	High	Avg
280-330	RS	D	2	8	250.0	340.0	306.3	86	-	-	-	625	850	766
	FD	C	2	130	306.0	386.0	348.0	29	-	-	-	863	1138	1,063
	RS	C	2	181	280.0	384.0	365.0	29	-	-	-	849	1234	1,113
330-400	RS	D	2	5	300.0	300.0	300.0	68	-	-	-	930	930	930
	FD	C	2	440	300.0	368.0	347.0	9	-	-	-	1110	1464	1,296
	FD	D	2	30	278.0	322.0	298.0	4	-	-	-	987	1272	1,042
400+	RS	D	2	3	251.0	251.0	251.0	N/Q	-	-	-	841	841	841
	FD	C	2	747	258.0	365.0	342.7	5	-	-	-	1053	1854	1,514
	FD	C	3	32	330.0	365.0	349.2	16	-	-	-	1604	1664	1,633
	PR	C	2	2	308.0	318.0	313.0	N/Q	581	589	585	1278	1361	1,320
	PR	C	3	13	288.0	319.0	308.5	N/Q	533	602	577	1333	1518	1,396
				1673	250.0	420.0			533	602		625	1854	
Yearling Heifer														
200-280														
	FD	C	2	8	270.0	324.0	290.3	-4	-	-	-	567	868	680
	RS	C	2	34	275.0	340.0	319.9	13	-	-	-	627	867	733
	RS	D	2	10	255.0	260.0	256.5	14	-	-	-	592	689	621
280-330														
	FD	C	2	148	270.0	329.0	316.1	19	-	-	-	844	1082	998
	FD	D	2	20	245.0	300.0	263.8	N/Q	-	-	-	740	954	815
	RS	C	2	58	305.0	327.0	322.8	10	-	-	-	958	961	961
330-400														
	FD	C	2	364	276.0	335.0	322.9	21	-	-	-	944	1310	1,208
	FD	D	2	8	250.0	270.0	262.5	23	-	-	-	913	950	927
	PR	C	2	5	285.0	285.0	285.0	21	548	548	548	1046	1046	1,046
400+														
	FD	C	2	287	262.0	330.0	312.1	7	-	-	-	1103	1544	1,374
	FD	C	3	97	294.0	323.0	310.4	3	-	-	-	1305	1562	1,453
	PR	C	3	125	288.0	316.0	303.1	8	533	585	563	1287	1558	1,460
	PR	C	4	8	296.0	296.0	296.0	N/Q	569	569	569	1678	1678	1,678
	PR	D	3	9	270.0	270.0	270.0	N/Q	519	519	519	1620	1620	1,620
	PR	NC	6	9	310.0	310.0	310.0	N/Q	574	574	574	1513	1513	1,513
				1190	245.0	340.0			519	585		567	1678	
Grown Steer														
400-500														
	PR	C	2	2	269.0	269.0	269.0	6	508	508	508	1095	1095	1,095
500-600														
	FD	C	3	40	330.0	346.0	334.8	22	-	-	-	1817	1835	1,829
	PR	C	3	96	286.0	342.0	313.4	8	530	633	580	1584	1814	1,736
600-750														
	PR	C	3	8	310.0	310.0	310.0	N/Q	574	574	574	2021	2021	2,021
	PR	C	4	24	294.0	330.0	321.1	22	544	611	595	1919	2145	2,067

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					Low	High	Avg	Change	Low	High	Avg	Low	High	Avg
				170	269.0	346.0			508	633		1095	2145	
Grown Heifer														
0-540														
	FD	C	2	5	260.0	260.0	260.0	N/Q	-			866	866	866
	PR	C	3	8	265.0	265.0	265.0	6	491	491	491	1214	1214	1,214
	PR	C	4	85	276.0	310.0	300.8	8	521	585	564	1449	1649	1,563
	PR	D	4	12	278.0	278.0	278.0	N/Q	525	525	525	1487	1487	1,487
	RS	D	2	7	265.0	294.0	273.3	N/Q	-			1010	1382	1,116
540+														
	PR	C	4	56	285.0	302.0	295.6	-2	537	559	552	1596	1871	1,725
				173	260.0	310.0			491	585		866	1871	
Cows														
0-400														
	PR	D	1	2	238.0	238.0	238.0	N/Q	541	541	541	928	928	928
	PR	D	2	3	244.0	244.0	244.0	32	555	555	555	969	969	969
	PR	D	3	5	261.0	261.0	261.0	N/Q	522	522	522	1013	1013	1,013
	RS	D	1	41	230.0	253.0	250.2	N/Q	-			863	982	967
	RS	D	2	3	255.0	255.0	255.0	N/Q	-			650	650	650
400-520														
	PR	D	1	63	254.0	265.0	260.3	N/Q	620	646	635	1059	1251	1,169
	PR	D	2	99	245.0	264.0	257.5	24	513	600	578	985	1255	1,182
	PR	D	3	351	246.0	286.0	263.9	22	496	572	540	1058	1384	1,279
	PR	D	4	16	268.0	281.0	274.3	14	515	560	532	1158	1377	1,259
	PR	E	1	3	232.0	232.0	232.0	N/Q	566	566	566	1049	1049	1,049
	RS	D	1	43	245.0	248.0	245.3	N/Q	-			1017	1044	1,041
	RS	D	2	71	246.0	263.0	258.1	22	-			1051	1255	1,155
	RS	D	3	42	258.0	258.0	258.0	N/Q	-			1148	1148	1,148
520+														
	PR	D	2	1	244.0	244.0	244.0	10	555	555	555	1415	1415	1,415
	PR	D	3	319	248.0	292.0	270.5	14	510	578	543	1297	1858	1,520
	PR	D	4	602	260.0	294.0	278.3	16	475	565	535	1453	2318	1,799
	PR	D	5	1	255.0	255.0	255.0	N/Q	510	510	510	1658	1658	1,658
				1665	230.0	294.0			475	646		650	2318	
Bulls														
0-450														
	PR	C	2	12	250.0	279.0	266.9	N/Q	481	498	491	868	1041	969
600+														
	PR	C	2	1	284.0	284.0	284.0	2	507	507	507	1846	1846	1,846
				13	250.0	284.0			481	507		868	1846	

DA - Dairy, FD - Feeder, GF - Grainfed, PR - Processor, LE - Live Export, PC - Pastoral Cattle, PT - PTIC, RS - Restocker

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